[Mr. K. Gopalakrishna Pillai.]

(*a*) the number of house destroyed by the floods of 1106 in the Parur taluk ; and

(*b*) the amount set apart and distributed up to date (27-6-1932) to rebuild these houses?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : (*a*) The number of houses destroyed by the floods of 1106 is reported to be 201, of which the number reported to be deserving of money grant was only 89.

(*b*) A sum of Rs. 267 was allotted to the Parur taluk, of which Rs. 255 was distributed to rebuild houses, up to 27-6-1932.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*) : May I know why the whole amount was not disbursed ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : Government were able to distribute only Rs. 255.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*) : Why was the rest not distributed ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): Probably, some enquiry is going on.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*) : Is a sum of Rs. 3 sufficient for rebuilding a house.

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : It is only a hut.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*) : Even then is it sufficient ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*) : Does not the member think that the allotment is insufficient ?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : No.

MR. K. GOPALAKRISHNA PILLAI (*Parur*) : Does the member think that a sum of Rs. 3 is sufficient for rebuilding a hut?

MR. P. VISVANATHA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. K. KUNJUKRISHNA PILLAI (*Quilon*) : Sir, I rise to a point of order. The time allotted for interpellations is over.

PRESIDENT : There are only two more questions.

Compulsory teaching of the Bible in the schools of South Travancore.

272. **MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR** (*Agastisvaram*) : Are the Government aware:

(*a*) that in all the London Mission vernacular schools in the taluks of Tovala, Kalkulam and Agastisvaram, the Bible of the Mission is compulsorily taught to pupils, between 10 A. M. and 11-15 A. M. ; and

(*b*) that several Roman Catholic pupils who refused to attend Bible classes were fined in 1105 and 1106?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answers to parts (*a*) and (*b*) are in the negative.

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